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I WARNED YOU THAT YOU'D NEVER ESCAPE FROM... SAM HAWK, THE MAN-HUNTER!

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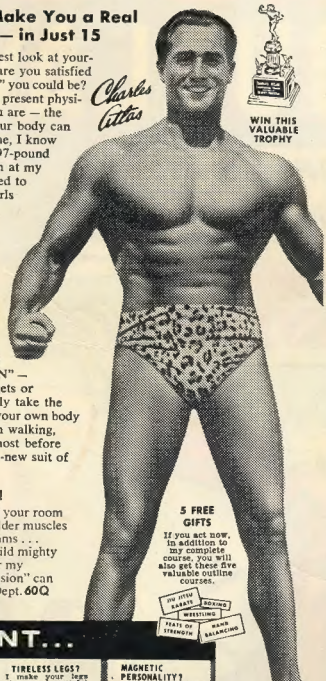

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THIS TELEGRAM JUST CAME OVER THE WIRE! SAM HAWK IS HEADED THIS WAY! HE'S OUT TO GET YOU!
SAM HAWK? THE MARSHAL MEN CALL THE MANHUNTER??!

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CRACK!

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RECKON I'M SAFE ENOUGH! NO ONE'S SHOOTIN' AT ME! IT'S THOSE HOMBRES OVER YONDER!

I NEVER DID LIKE TO SEE TWO GUNNIES AGAINST ONE MAN! RECKON I'LL HELP TO EVEN THE ODDS A MITE!
WHA...?

NO MORE! WE GIVE UP!
THANKS FOR THE HELP, STRANGER!
A PLEASURE, HOMBRE! IT LOOKED A LITTLE TOO ONE-SIDED FOR ME!

THAT WAS AS FINE A PIECE OF SHOOTIN' AS I'VE EVER SEEN... AND I'VE SEEN THE BEST! MY HANDLE'S SAM HAWK... WHAT'S YOURS?
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TELL ME, KID... AND TELL ME STRAIGHT.. WHAT'S YOUR LAST NAME?
WAIT, MARSHAL! YOU GOT NO CALL TO DRAW ON THE KID! HE JUST NOW SAVED YOUR LIFE, DIDN'T HE?
SAM HAWK'S FACE SHOWS NO EMOTION, HIS MOUTH A THIN, HARD LINE, AS HE ANSWERS...
I'D HAVE DOWNED THOSE RANNIES BY MYSELF IN ANOTHER MINUTE! BESIDES, WHEN I HUNT A MAN, I GET 'IM, NO MATTER WHAT!
THANKS, MARSHAL, FOR LETTIN' ME KNOW WHERE YOU STAND!
MUTTERING A SILENT PRAYER, THE FASTEST GUNHAND IN THE WEST GOES FOR HIS COLT! BUT EVEN HIS LIGHTNING SPEED IS NO MATCH FOR A MAN WHO ALREADY HAS HIS OWN GUN IN HAND AND AIMED RIGHT AT HIM! THERE IS ONE THUNDEROUS EXPLOSION, AND THEN...
UGHHH...
SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE THAT, KID.
CRACK
WHEN THE KID'S EYES FINALLY OPEN AGAIN, HE FINDS HIMSELF IN A COLD, DARK CELL...
YOU MUST HAVE THE STAMINA OF A HORSE, SON! THAT SHOT WOULD HAVE FINISHED OFF 'MOST ANY OTHER MAN!
I-I'M IN A JAIL! GOT TO GET OUT!
YOU WON'T BE GETTING OUT FOR QUITE A SPELL, KID! YOU'RE A MIGHTY SICK MAN!
WHERE.. WHERE IS HAWK?

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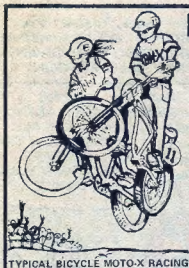

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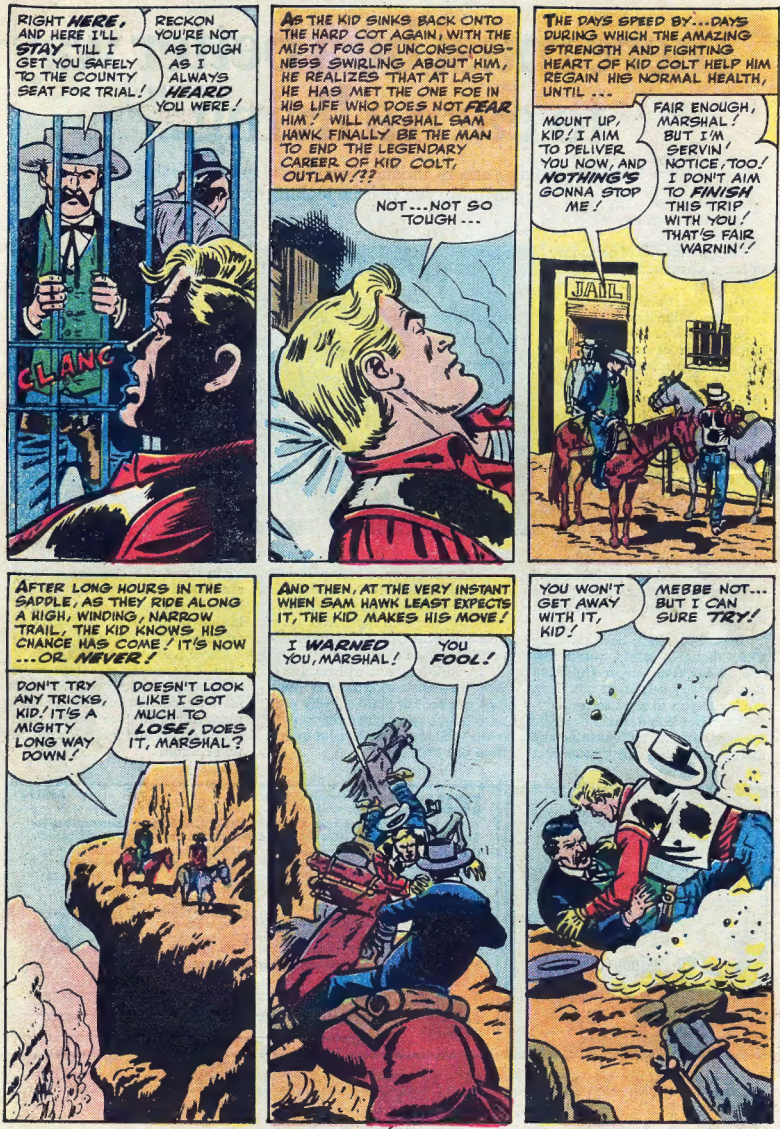
RIGHT HERE, AND HERE I'LL STAY TILL I GET YOU SAFELY TO THE COUNTY SEAT FOR TRIAL!
RECKON YOU'RE NOT AS TOUGH AS I ALWAYS HEARD YOU WERE!
CLANG
AS THE KID SINKS BACK ONTO THE HARD COT AGAIN, WITH THE MISTY FOG OF UNCONSCIOUSNESS SWIRLING ABOUT HIM, HE REALIZES THAT AT LAST HE HAS MET THE ONE FOE IN HIS LIFE WHO DOES NOT FEAR HIM! WILL MARSHAL SAM HAWK FINALLY BE THE MAN TO END THE LEGENDARY CAREER OF KID COLT, OUTLAW!??
NOT...NOT SO TOUGH---
THE DAYS SPEED BY...DAYS DURING WHICH THE AMAZING STRENGTH AND FIGHTING HEART OF KID COLT HELP HIM REGAIN HIS NORMAL HEALTH, UNTIL ...
MOUNT UP, KID! I AIM TO DELIVER YOU NOW, AND NOTHING'S GONNA STOP ME!
FAIR ENOUGH, MARSHAL! BUT I'M SERVIN' NOTICE, TOO! I DON'T AIM TO FINISH THIS TRIP WITH YOU! THAT'S FAIR WARNIN'!
JAIL
AFTER LONG HOURS IN THE SADDLE, AS THEY RIDE ALONG A HIGH, WINDING, NARROW TRAIL, THE KID KNOWS HIS CHANCE HAS COME! IT'S NOW ---OR NEVER!
DON'T TRY ANY TRICKS, KID! IT'S A MIGHTY LONG WAY DOWN!
DOESN'T LOOK LIKE I GOT MUCH TO LOSE, DOES IT, MARSHAL?
AND THEN, AT THE VERY INSTANT WHEN SAM HAWK LEAST EXPECTS IT, THE KID MAKES HIS MOVE!
I WARNED YOU, MARSHAL!
YOU FOOL!
YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH IT, KID!
MEBBE NOT... BUT I CAN SURE TRY!

FOR LONG, SILENT SECONDS, THE FIGHT SEE-SAWS BACK AND FORTH ON THE PRECARIOUS LEDGE, UNTIL THE KID'S WEAKENED CONDITION BEGINS TO TAKE EFFECT! NO MAN JUST RECOVERING FROM A SERIOUS GUNSHOT WOUND CAN HOPE TO MATCH STRENGTH WITH THE POWERFUL, FIGHTING MARSHAL!
GIVE UP, HOMBRE! I WANT TO TAKE YOU ALIVE!
I'M NOT DEAD YET!
JUST AS THE KID GIRDS HIMSELF TO EXERT A LAST-DITCH EFFORT TO HURL THE MARSHAL FROM HIM, HIS SHARP EYES NOTICE SOMETHING BELOW, AND WITHOUT A MOMENT'S HESITATION HE FLINGS HIMSELF OVER THE EDGE OF THE CLIFF!
KID!!
I'LL HAVE TO RIDE DOWN AND FIND HIS BODY... EVEN AN OUTLAW DESERVES A DECENT BURIAL!
BUT LATER, WHEN THE WEARY MARSHAL FINALLY REACHES THE VALLEY BELOW...
I'VE BEEN OVER EVERY INCH OF THIS GROUND... BUT HE'S NOT HERE! IT... IT'S IMPOSSIBLE! NOBODY COULD HAVE SURVIVED A FALL LIKE THAT!
SAM HAWK IS RIGHT! NOBODY COULD HAVE SURVIVED SUCH A FALL! BUT, THE KID DIDN'T FALL ALL THE WAY! LET'S GO BACK A FEW MINUTES AND SEE WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED...
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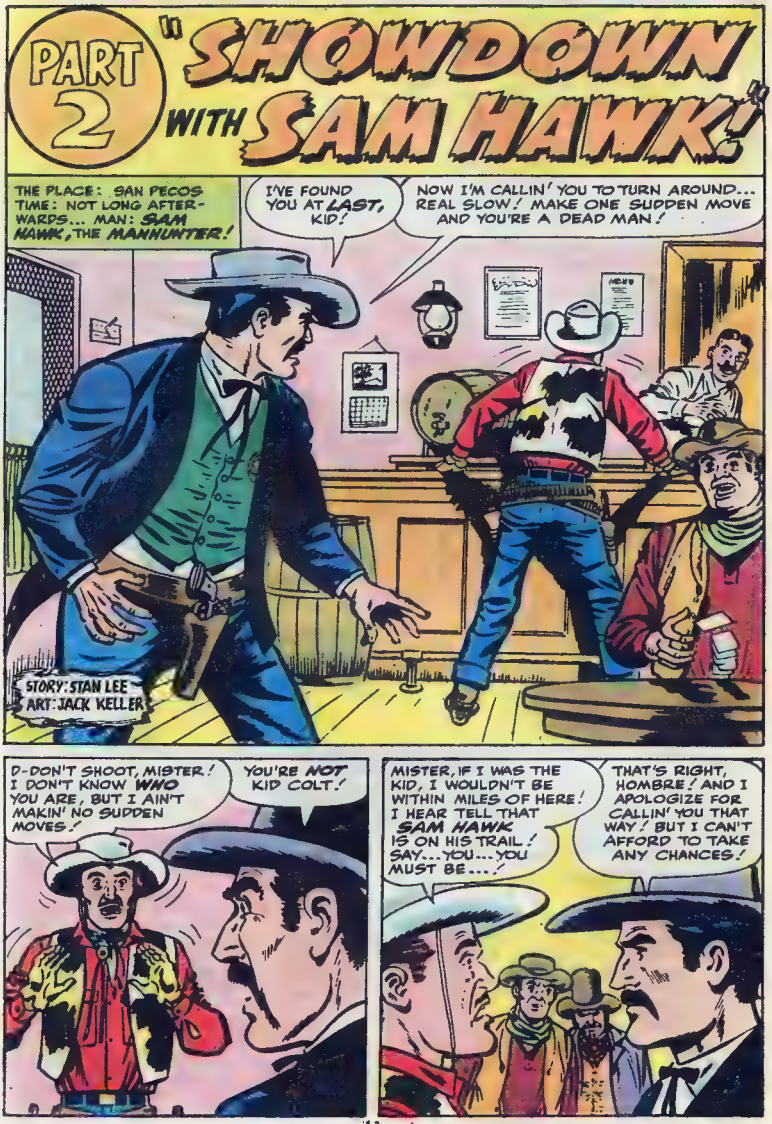
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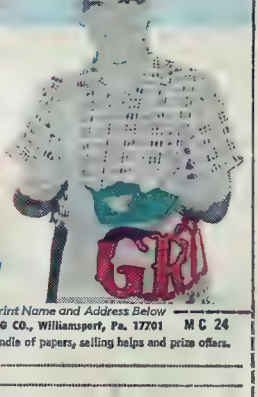

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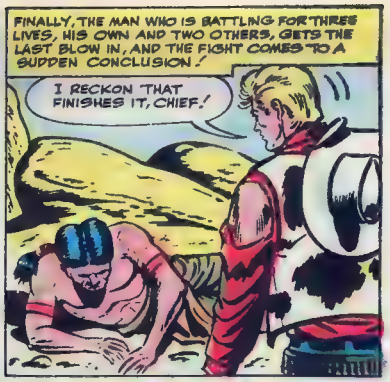
THIS LOOKS LIKE A GOOD TOWN TO BED DOWN IN FOR A WHILE, STEEL..! I GOTTA GET ME AT LEAST ONE GOOD NIGHT'S REST IF I'M GONNA MANAGE TO OUT-MANEUVER SAM HAWK!
PSST... KID! KID COLT!
DON'T SHOOT, KID! I'M YOUR FRIEND! I WANNA WARN YUH! SAM HAWK IS IN TOWN! HE'S AT THE SALOON, AWAITIN' FOR YUH!
WHO ARE YOU?? WHY ARE YOU TELLIN' ME THIS?
I'M CRAW BATES! I USED TO RIDE WITH THE LARRAME GANG! HAWK SENT ME UP FOR A STRETCH YEARS AGO! I FIGGER YOU CAN OUT-GUN 'IM, AND I WANNA SEE HIM GET IT!
LISTEN, CRAW, AND LISTEN HARD! SAM HAWK IS OUT TO GET ME, SURE! HE'S A MANHUNTER, SURE! BUT HE'S HONEST, AND HE'S SQUARE! HE AIN'T A SLIMY, ROTTEN OWLHOOT INFORMER LIKE YOU! NOW I'M GIVIN' YOU FIVE MINUTES TO GET OUTTA MY SIGHT AND STAY OUT!

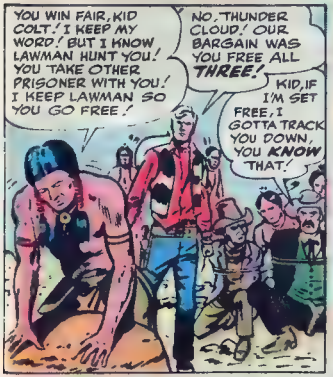
ANYWAY, IF'N YOU DON'T GET SAM HAWK, I RECKON THE COMANCHE WILL! THEY'RE ON THE WARPATH SOUTH OF HERE, AND WHEN HAWK HEADS THAT WAY HE'LL BE A GONER!
KEEP MOVIN', CRAW! YOU'RE TURNIN' MY STOMACH!
IF SAM HAWK IS IN TOWN, I SURE GOTTA LAY LOW UNTIL I CAN THINK OF SOMETHIN'!
A FEW MINUTES LATER, IN THE SALOON...
MARSHAL, AIN'T THERE A BIG REE-WARD FOR KID COLT?
YEAH! MOST A THOUSAND DOLLARS, FAR AS I KNOW! WHY, MISTER?
BECAUSE I KNOW WHERE HE IS! LAST I SAW, HE WAS DUCKIN' INTO AN ALLEY DOWN THE STREET FROM HERE!
THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO KNOW!
DON'T FORGET MY REE-WARD!!
HUH! I HOPE THEY BOTH GUN EACH OTHER DOWN!
COME OUT, KID! SHOW YOURSELF! I KNOW YOU'RE IN THERE!
THAT SNEAKY LOOKIN' HOMBRE WHO TOLD ME WHERE THE KID WAS LOOKED MIGHTY FAMILIAR! WELL, I AIN'T GOT TIME TO WORRY ABOUT HIM NOW!

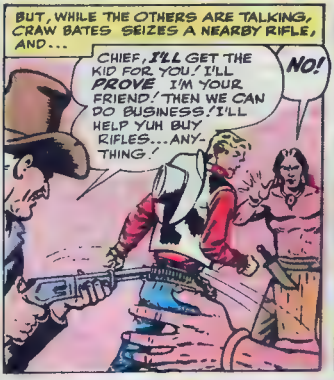
KID! IT'S SAM HAWK! I'M CALLIN' ON YOU TO SHOW YOURSELF!
HE FOUND ME! ONLY ONE CHANCE NOW! GO, BOY... HEAD FOR THE HILLS!!
IN THE GATHERING TWILIGHT, NO MAN IN THE STREET CAN SEE THAT THE KID'S MIGHTY MOUNT IS RIDERLESS, AS STEEL THUNDERS AWAY TOWARDS THE NEIGHBORING HILLS!
THERE HE GOES!
LET'S FORM A POSSE AND GIT AFTER 'IM!
STAY WHERE YOU ARE, MEN! THIS IS MY JOB! I DON'T WANT ANY INNOCENT PEOPLE GETTIN' HURT! SAM HAWK'LL BRING HIM IN!
WHEW! THAT WAS A CLOSE ONE! BUT I'M STILL NOT SAFE! STEEL HAS TO OUT-RUN THE MARSHAL, AND THEN COME BACK FOR ME, SO'S I CAN HEAD FOR ANOTHER STATE!
LOOK! IT'S KID COLT!
I'LL BE JIGGERED! HE OUT-FOXED THE MARSHAL!
LET'S US GIT 'IM!
STAY BACK! I DON'T AIM TO HURT ANYONE, BUT I DON'T AIM TO BE CAPTURED BY A MOB, EITHER!
WHERE'D THOSE IRONS COME FROM?
DIDN'T EVEN SEE HIS HANDS MOVE!
FREEZE! THERE'S FIRE IN HIS EYES!
THE KID'S SURROUNDED BY A MOB, AND THE MARSHAL'S HEADED SOUTH WHERE, THE COMANCHE ARE SURE TO GIT 'IM! EVERYTHING WORKED OUT FINE FOR CRAW BATES! SO I RECKON THIS IS A GOOD TIME FOR ME TO BLOW TOWN!

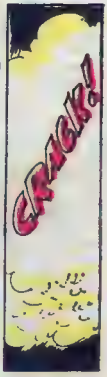
BUT LESS THAN TWO HOURS LATER, ON A LONELY MOUNTAIN TRAIL...
COMANCHE! B-BUT I THOUGHT YOU WERE SOUTH OF HERE ??!
WE SNEAK INTO TOWN BY BACK TRAIL, TO STEAL GUNS! NOW WE TAKE PALEFACE BACK WITH US, TOO!
MEANWHILE, THE NEXT MORNING...
CAN'T KEEP MY EYES OPEN MUCH LONGER! SOONER OR LATER I'LL FALL ASLEEP, AND THEN THEY'LL GET ME! IF ONLY STEEL WOULD COME BACK!... WAIT! HOOFBEATS! IT... IT'S HIM!
LOOK! HERE COMES THE KID'S HOSS!
WHOA, BOY! WHAT'S THIS?? A COMANCHE FEATHER IN THE SADDLE BAG! IT'S A CHALLENGE!! THEY MUST HAVE CAPTURED SAM HAWK!
AIN'T NO USE US FORMIN' A POSSE TO GO AFTER 'IM!
NAW, WHAT CAN A FEW OF US DO AGAINST A COMANCHE WAR PARTY?
MY ONE CHANCE! THE COMANCHE HAVE THE MARSHAL TO THE SOUTH! ALL I HAVE TO DO IS RIDE NORTH! AND I'LL BE A FREE MAN.
BUT, A FEW MILES OUT OF TOWN...
I... I CAN'T DO IT! CAN'T LEAVE A MAN CAPTIVE OF THE COMANCHE, NO MATTER WHO HE IS! SAM HAWK DESERVES A BETTER FATE THAN THAT!
AND, NOT FAR OFF, AT THE TEMPORARY COMANCHE VILLAGE...
NOW I REMEMBER YOU! YOU USED TO RIDE WITH THE LARRAME GANG! I SENT ALL OF YOU UP FOR A STRETCH A WHILE BACK!
SO WHAT?? WHO CARES ABOUT THAT NOW?? THESE INJUNS IS AIMIN' TO KILL US!
QUIET! PRISONERS NO TALK!

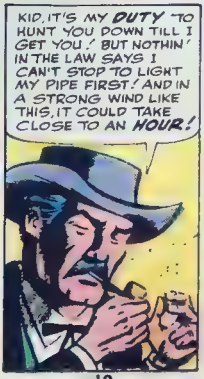
LOOK, YOU GOTTA LET ME GO! DO WHAT YOU WANT WITH HIM, BUT DON'T HURT ME! I'LL GIVE YOU MONEY, ANYTHING, IF YOU SET ME FREE!
OTHER PALE-FACE A MAN! BUT YOU...YOU SQUAW!
HOLD TONGUES! CHIEF THUNDER CLOUD SPEAK! PALEFACE SOLDIERS COME! MY WARRIORS FLEE TO HILLS NOW! BUT FIRST, WE LEAVE TWO PALEFACES BEHIND, AS WARNING NOT TO FOLLOW COMANCHE!
NO! YOU CAN'T! D-DON'T KILL ME! I WANT TO LIVE!
SHUT YOUR LIP, CRAW! EVEN IF YOU NEVER LIVED LIKE A MAN, THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO DIE LIKE ONE!
IS THUNDER CLOUD SO WEAK THAT HE KILLS HELPLESS MEN? OR DOES HE DARE FIGHT A PALEFACE WHOSE HANDS ARE NOT TIED?
WHA...?
KID COLT!!
ANOTHER PALEFACE! HE SHALL FEEL MY ARROW'S STING!
NO! HE HAS FLUNG CHALLENGE! THUNDER CLOUD ACCEPTS!
IF I LOSE, YOU KILL ME TOO! BUT IF I WIN, YOU LET US ALL GO FREE!
NO MAN BEATS THUNDER CLOUD! PREPARE TO DIE!
THE POWERFUL WARRIOR CHIEF LANDS THE FIRST BLOW! A BLOW THAT WOULD FELL ANY LESSER MAN! BUT HE IS FIGHTING NO LESSER MAN... HE IS FIGHTING KID COLT!
WHAM!
THUD!

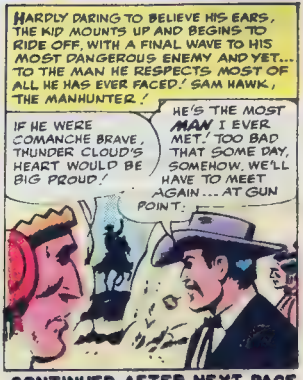

FINALLY, THE MAN WHO IS BATTLING FOR THREE LIVES, HIS OWN AND TWO OTHERS, GETS THE LAST BLOW IN, AND THE FIGHT COMES TO A SUDDEN CONCLUSION!
I RECKON THAT FINISHES IT, CHIEF!


YOU WIN FAIR, KID COLT! I KEEP MY WORD! BUT I KNOW LAWMAN HUNT YOU! YOU TAKE OTHER PRISONER WITH YOU! I KEEP LAWMAN SO YOU GO FREE!
NO, THUNDER CLOUD! OUR BARGAIN WAS YOU FREE ALL THREE!
KID, IF I'M SET FREE, I GOTTA TRACK YOU DOWN, YOU KNOW THAT!


BUT, WHILE THE OTHERS ARE TALKING, CRAW BATES SEIZES A NEARBY RIFLE, AND...
CHIEF, I'LL GET THE KID FOR YOU! I'LL PROVE I'M YOUR FRIEND! THEN WE CAN DO BUSINESS! I'LL HELP YUH BUY RIFLES... ANYTHING!
NO!




KID, IT'S MY DUTY TO HUNT YOU DOWN TILL I GET YOU! BUT NOTHIN' IN THE LAW SAYS I CAN'T STOP TO LIGHT MY PIPE FIRST! AND IN A STRONG WIND LIKE THIS, IT COULD TAKE CLOSE TO AN HOUR!


HARDLY DARING TO BELIEVE HIS EARS, THE KID MOUNTS UP AND BEGINS TO RIDE OFF, WITH A FINAL WAVE TO HIS MOST DANGEROUS ENEMY AND YET... TO THE MAN HE RESPECTS MOST OF ALL HE HAS EVER FACED! SAM HAWK, THE MANHUNTER!
IF HE WERE COMANCHE BRAVE, THUNDER CLOUD'S HEART WOULD BE BIG PROUD!
HE'S THE MOST MAN I EVER MET! TOO BAD THAT SOME DAY, SOMEHOW, WE'LL HAVE TO MEET AGAIN... AT GUN POINT!

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HOMILIES, HIJINX, AND HAPPY NEW YEAR —FROM THE HALLOWED HALLS OF MARVEL!

STAN LEE'S SOAPBOX

Well, here it is — the start of a brand new year for all of us! It's the perfect time to clue you in on some of the fabulous, far-out projects in store for you from mighty Marvel, where wonders never cease — and where the future has never looked more exciting!

We don't have to tell you what a smash sensation our Spider-Man medallion coins have been — you're probably wearing one right now! But that's only the beginning! Every other product manufacturer seems to be discovering Marvel at the same time. So, in the coming year you'll be seeing more of our swingin' super-hero gizmos than you can shake a spider-web at! But, that's just for starters — !

Even as I pen yon momentous monograph, Marvel's vast, world-wide network of legal experts (okay, so it's one over-worked lawyer with a scratchy pen) is in the process of signing a contract with one of America's largest and most famous book-publishing companies to do a series of hard-cover books about — you guessed it — your favorite Marvel masterworks! We'll tell you more in coming issues, and we hoodwink thee not — it'll herald a whole new world of reading excitement for all Marveldom Assembled — even for the few heretics who still may be at large!

Naturally, FOOM is still growing by leaps and bounds. Your batty Bullpen has just scheduled a special meeting to vote on all the new goodies and surprises in store for the Friends Of Ol' Marvel, may their luster never dim! And of course one of our zingiest new sensations is the Value Stamp project we've just begun — which Rascally Roy will discuss with you in living color — if I ever leave him enough space!

Since no mere mortal can bear too much mind-staggering munificence, I'll merely hint at some other dynamite developments to come. Would ja believe a full-length feature film about some of our cataclysmic characters? And how about the two top TV producers who are making us an offer we can hardly refuse? And, we've gotta admit we're still sneakily working on plans for new, earth-shaking characters and concepts in our ever-growing line of Marvel comics and mags. So watch your newsstand, watch these pages, and watch out for enemy agents! We mustn't let a word of this reach the competition!

Excelsior!

Stan

ITEM! Sheesh! It's January again — and it seems like only yesterday that the whole batty Bullpen were auld-lang-syning each other at New Year's parties all over Manhattan, the Bronx, and Staten Island too. Anyhow, just for the heck of it, we thought you might wanna see some of the *New Year's Resolutions* dreamed up by our nutty artists and writers for 1974. So here goes — !

Merry GERRY CONWAY resolves he'll take the time to memorize the agreement of all Asgardian pronouns and verbs. (He's got no choice! Rascally Roy stamped 'em all over Mr. C's forehead!)

Macabre MIKE PLOOG vows to make his new project, the Man-Thing, as horribly hairy and hellishly heinous as his Werewolf, Ghost Rider, and Frankenstein Monster put together.

RICH (Swash) BUCKLER pledges to make the Fantastic Four even more popular than it already is. (And you know something? The lad just might make it!)

Jazzy JOHNNY ROMITA swears he'll sneak away from his post as art director long enough to actually draw a Spider-Man saga or two, just for old times' sake.

STEVE (Baby) GERBER and Battlin' BOB BROWN jointly avow that they will both figure out every one of the gimmicks in Daredevil's billy-club before *1975* rolls around — they hope!

Big JOHN BUSCEMA promises to remember that a right-handed Barbarian wears his sword on his *left* side, not on his right.

Sibling SAL B. claims he'll get a new compass to help him draw those difficult, painstaking stripes on Captain America's shield.

Marvelous MARV WOLFMAN and Gentleman GENE COLAN affirm that they'll invent at least *three* unique and previously untried ways for Count Dracula to die! (Lotsa luck, fellas!)

Rascally ROY THOMAS declares that this year Conan will definitely go thru one whole issue without once referring to his Cimmerian god Crom. Or, if not *this* year, then maybe the *next* — ! .

And Smilin' STAN LEE, our publishing potenate, swears that this'll be positively the *last* year he lets his ever-lovin' editor make up New Year's Resolutions for the whole blamed Bullpen!

But now, onward — !

ITEM! We need a *breather*, people — honest! So many of you have been sending in for your full-fledged FOOM kits and all the other Marvel-type merchandise we've been offering you, that we've got to discontinue our ads for 'em for the next few weeks, just long enough to get caught up on all the mountains of mail that're piling up! That's just by way of letting you know that, if you're one of the few Marvelites who haven't yet signed up for membership in our FOOM fan club, you'll get your chance an ish or two from now. A word to the wise . . . !

ITEM! And now, in closing, here's our mirthful message in SPIDER-MAN CODE for the merry month of January — to warm the cockles of your heart with news of a Marvel longtimer who'll be getting his very own series in the months to come. Like so:

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Ponder over that little tidbit for a while, Straight Arrow!

MIGHTY MARVEL CHECKLIST

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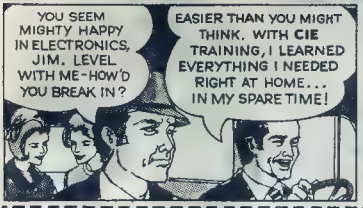
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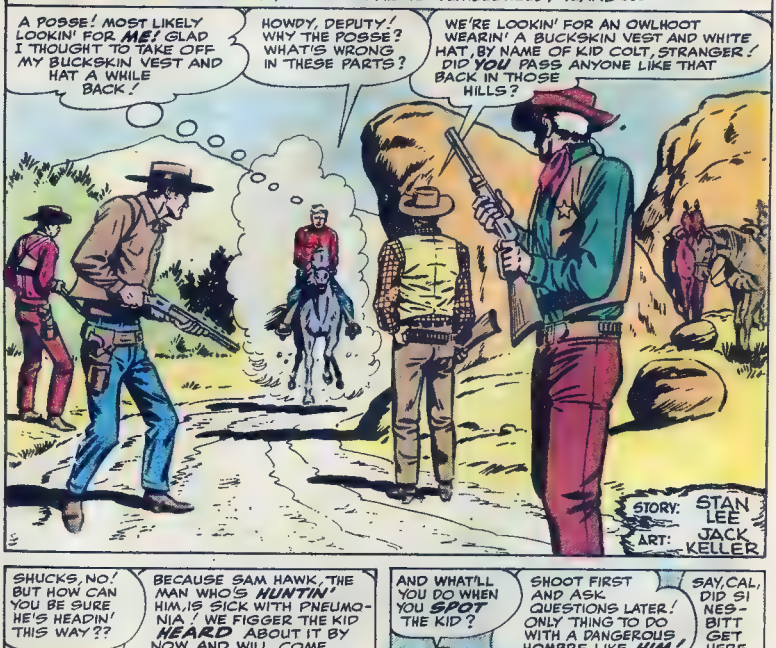
A POSSE! MOST LIKELY LOOKIN' FOR ME! GLAD I THOUGHT TO TAKE OFF MY BUCKSKIN VEST AND HAT A WHILE BACK!
HOWDY, DEPUTY! WHY THE POSSE? WHAT'S WRONG IN THESE PARTS?
WE'RE LOOKIN' FOR AN OWLHOOT WEARIN' A BUCKSKIN VEST AND WHITE HAT, BY NAME OF KID COLT, STRANGER! DID YOU PASS ANYONE LIKE THAT BACK IN THOSE HILLS?
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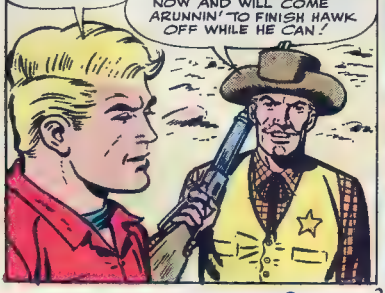
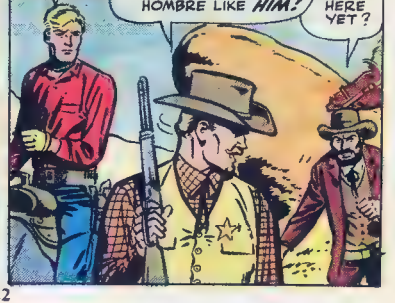

SHUCKS, NO! BUT HOW CAN YOU BE SURE HE'S HEADIN' THIS WAY??
BECAUSE SAM HAWK, THE MAN WHO'S HUNTIN' HIM, IS SICK WITH PNEUMONIA! WE FIGGER THE KID HEARD ABOUT IT BY NOW AND WILL COME ARUNNIN' TO FINISH HAWK OFF WHILE HE CAN!


AND WHAT'LL YOU DO WHEN YOU SPOT THE KID?
SHOOT FIRST AND ASK QUESTIONS LATER! ONLY THING TO DO WITH A DANGEROUS HOMBRE LIKE HIM!
SAY, CAL, DID SI NESBITT GET HERE YET?

NOT YET!
HE BETTER GET HERE FAST WITH THAT SERUM FOR SAM HAWK OR IT'LL BE TOO LATE!
SAY! AIN'T I SEEN YOU SOMEWHERE BEFORE??
COULD BE! I BEEN AROUND!
GO, STEEL, BOY! HE RECOGNIZED ME!
YOU FOOLS! IT WAS KID COLT HIMSELF!
AFTER HIM!
WELL, WE MADE IT INTO TOWN, BUT THE WHOLE KABOODLE OF 'EM ARE AFTER US! HOW'LL WE EVER GET TO SAM HAWK NOW?
MEANWHILE, AT THE OFFICE OF DR. BEN MASTERS...
DOC! KID COLT'S IN TOWN! KEEP YOUR CARBINE HANDY!
DON'T WORRY, AMIGO! THE KID WON'T GET TO SAM HAWK! I'LL SEE TO THAT!
WE GOT A DOZEN MEN AROUND THIS BUILDING! DOC! WHEN THE SERUM GETS HERE, WE'LL SEE THAT SAM HAWK GETS IT, NO MATTER WHAT THE KID TRIES TO DO TO STOP US!
AND SO, THE ORDERS ARE OUT... SHOOT KID COLT ON SIGHT! AND YET, KNOWING THE JEOPARDY HIS LIFE IS IN, THE KID STILL GOES AHEAD WITH HIS PLAN!
RUN OFF NOW, STEEL! WAIT FOR ME BEHIND THE SALOON! I CAN HANDLE THIS JOB BETTER ON FOOT FROM NOW ON!

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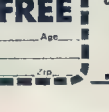

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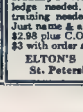

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THAT MUST BE THE BUILDING WHERE SAM HAWK IS BEDDED! THERE'S AT LEAST A DOZEN ARMED MEN GUARDING IT! ONLY ONE THING FOR ME TO DO...
I SAW HIM! I SAW KID COLT! HELP!
BLAM! BLAM!
IT'S A DARING, DANGEROUS PLAN! BUT, THE KID KNOWS HUMAN NATURE! HE KNOWS HOW CARELESS MEN GET IN THE FIRST FLUSH OF EXCITEMENT! AND HIS GAMBLE PAYS OFF!
HE JUST RAN PAST ME, DOWN THE STREET! HURRY! WE'LL TRAP 'IM BEHIND THAT BUILDING!
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LET'S GO, BOYS!
THE KID MADE HIS LAST MISTAKE! HE HEADED INTO A BLIND ALLEY!
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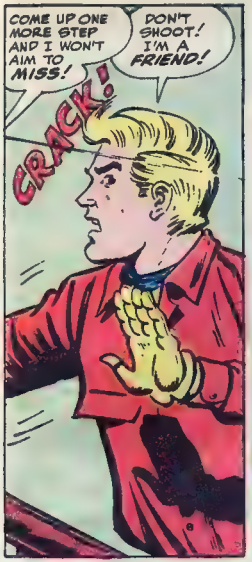
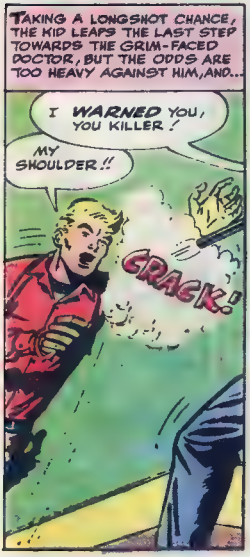
WHAM!
FOOTSTEPS!! THIS IS DOC MASTERS, WHO'S COMIN' UP THOSE STAIRS?
I DON'T DARE ANSWER! IF HE HEARS A STRANGE VOICE, HE'LL BE SUSPICIOUS!

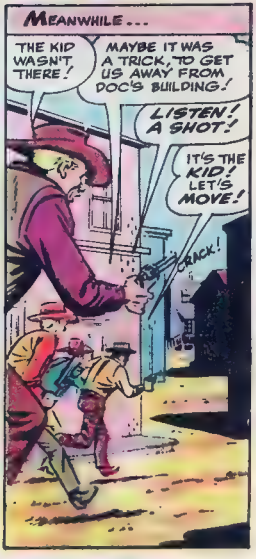

COME UP ONE MORE STEP AND I WON'T AIM TO MISS!
DON'T SHOOT! I'M A FRIEND!
CRACK!

FRIEND, EH? I'VE SEEN PICTURES OF YOU, HOMBRE! YOU'RE KID COLT.! I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU GOT IN HERE, BUT YOU'RE GONNA LEAVE IN HAND-CUFFS! NOW FREEZE!

WAIT! YOU GOTTA LISTEN TO ME...
STAY BACK! I KNOW WHY YOU'RE HERE! MARSHAL HAWK IS HELPLESS AND YOU THINK YOU CAN FINISH 'IM OFF! WELL, YOU'RE DEAD WRONG, KID!


TAKING A LONGSHOT CHANCE, THE KID LEAPS THE LAST STEP TOWARDS THE GRIM-FACED DOCTOR, BUT THE ODDS ARE TOO HEAVY AGAINST HIM, AND...
I WARNED YOU, YOU KILLER!
MY SHOULDER!!
CRACK!

THAT'S THE ONE BAD THING ABOUT A SINGLE-SHOT GUN, DOC! IF YOU DON'T FINISH OFF YOUR ENEMY WITH THE FIRST SHOT, YOU'VE GOT NO TIME TO RELOAD!
YOU ORNERY OWL-HOOT! I'LL GET YOU


MEANWHILE...
THE KID WASN'T THERE!
MAYBE IT WAS A TRICK, TO GET US AWAY FROM DOC'S BUILDING!
LISTEN! A SHOT!
IT'S THE KID! LET'S MOVE!
CRACK!

PRESENTING—ANOTHER BOMBASTICALLY BUCOLIC BULLPEN BONUS PAGE!

VALUE, VALUE—WHO'S GOT THE VALUE?

Last time around, we first introduced our mighty MARVEL VALUE STAMPS to a breathlessly waiting world.

Now *this* month, it's finally time to *explain* the furshlugginer things!

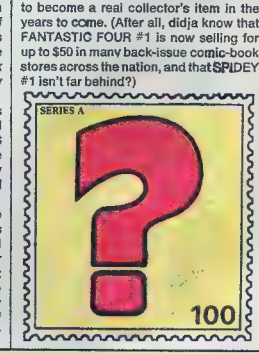
What it is: We're now including one of these colorful MVS goodies in virtually every one of our multitudinous mags that has a *letters page*. There'll be an even *hundred* of them in Series "A," which covers calendar year 1974, starting with #1 (your friendly neighborhood Spider-Man, who else?) and winding up with #100, which sports a dynamic likeness of none other than—well, we'll let you guess till *next* time just *whose* mug will replace that mystery-shrouded *question mark* when the coveted #100 Stamp finally appears!

All we can tell you about it right now is that, although some of our Stamps will appear much more often than others, MVS #100 will be absolutely, positively the *rarest* one of 'em all, popping up in only *one* Marvel title during the whole blamed year!

(No, no, Suspicious One—it won't be sneaked into one of our western re-runs or *any* of our rhapsodic reprints, but will be featured prominently in one of our awesome *all-original* epics over the next few months. If you miss it, or one of the others which you need to complete your collecton—you can always do a bit of *swapping* and *trading* with your fellow Marvel madmen who might have been luckier, right?)

And now the $64,000 question: Once you've got all 100 Stamps, what do you *do* with them? We call 'em MARVEL VALUE STAMPS, after all—so where's the value?

Well, part of the future value of the whole collection is obvious. For instance, in the next month or three, we'll be offering you an *MVS Stamp Album* virtually at cost, so that you can paste in all of them and have a complete set—which is bound to become a real collector's item in the years to come. (After all, didja know that FANTASTIC FOUR #1 is now selling for up to $50 in many back-issue comic-book stores across the nation, and that SPIDEY #1 isn't far behind?)



But, that's only a *long-range* forecast. For those of you who'd like to see some benefits *before* you grow a long white beard, we can't say any more just now—but we solemnly promise that, even as these words are written, we're already in the process of lining up some *immediate* rewards you can reap when you've amassed a complete set. So, you'll not only have the frolic and fun of collecting the full 100 MVS mini-masterpieces, but—at least for many of you—it'll mean money in your pocket, to boot!

How's *that* for a grabber?

We also pledge a *fuller* explanation of this all-important point over the next few issues—verily, we swear and affirm it by the mile-long Adam's-apple of Reed Richards!

So keep on clippin' and collectin', pilgrim!

By the time summer rolls around, virtually all *100* MARVEL VALUE STAMPS will have appeared in our littin' letters pages, or in some other designated spot—

—And that's when the fun *really* begins!

P.S.: Special thanks to Jazzy Johnny Romita, Mirthful Marie Severin, and Titanic Tony Mortellaro for digging up the spiffiest bunch of superhero drawings since George Washington first said "Cheese!"

FROM THE VALLEY OF THE (HO! HO! HO!) MARVEL GIANTS!

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Now, on to a pair of pulsating news-bits:

ITEM! The Crazy Crew tunes in "High Plains Drifter," "Last Tango in Paris," and "Soylent Green"—and tunes *out* "The Waltons"! Plus—"In Search of Ancient Auto-Nuts" and "The Rock'n'Rollin' Stone"! **CRAZY #3**—on sale Jan. 3!

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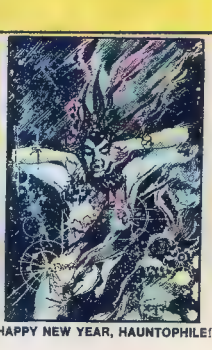

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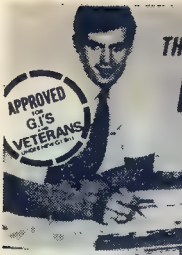

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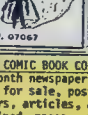

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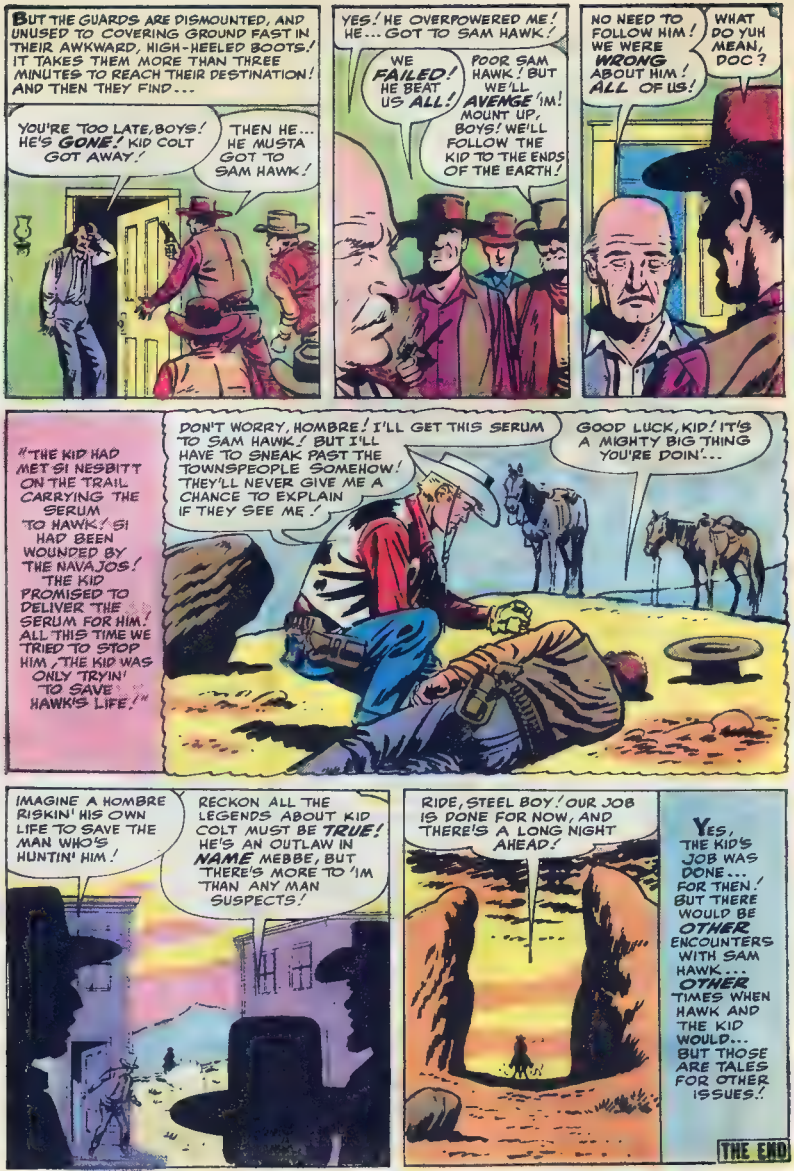
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YOU'RE TOO LATE, BOYS! HE'S GONE! KID COLT GOT AWAY!
THEN HE... HE MUSTA GOT TO SAM HAWK!
YES! HE OVERPOWERED ME! HE... GOT TO SAM HAWK!
WE FAILED! HE BEAT US ALL!
POOR SAM HAWK! BUT WE'LL AVENGE 'IM! MOUNT UP, BOYS! WE'LL FOLLOW THE KID TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH!
NO NEED TO FOLLOW HIM! WE WERE WRONG ABOUT HIM! ALL OF US!
WHAT DO YUH MEAN, DOC?
"THE KID HAD MET SI NESBITT ON THE TRAIL CARRYING THE SERUM TO HAWK! SI HAD BEEN WOUNDED BY THE NAVAJOS! THE KID PROMISED TO DELIVER THE SERUM FOR HIM! ALL THIS TIME WE TRIED TO STOP HIM, THE KID WAS ONLY TRYIN' TO SAVE HAWK'S LIFE!"
DON'T WORRY, HOMBRE! I'LL GET THIS SERUM TO SAM HAWK! BUT I'LL HAVE TO SNEAK PAST THE TOWNSPEOPLE SOMEHOW! THEY'LL NEVER GIVE ME A CHANCE TO EXPLAIN IF THEY SEE ME!
GOOD LUCK, KID! IT'S A MIGHTY BIG THING YOU'RE DOIN'...
IMAGINE A HOMBRE RISKIN' HIS OWN LIFE TO SAVE THE MAN WHO'S HUNTIN' HIM!
RECKON ALL THE LEGENDS ABOUT KID COLT MUST BE TRUE! HE'S AN OUTLAW IN NAME MEBBE, BUT THERE'S MORE TO 'IM THAN ANY MAN SUSPECTS!
RIDE, STEEL BOY! OUR JOB IS DONE FOR NOW, AND THERE'S A LONG NIGHT AHEAD!
YES, THE KID'S JOB WAS DONE... FOR THEN! BUT THERE WOULD BE OTHER ENCOUNTERS WITH SAM HAWK... OTHER TIMES WHEN HAWK AND THE KID WOULD... BUT THOSE ARE TALES FOR OTHER ISSUES!
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